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## REPLY TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated February 8, 2008, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes: Remarks only.